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QUOTE

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TAGS: SNAR, PINT, EGEN, TU

SUBJECT: ABBOTT INTEREST IN CODEINE FACTORY IN TURKEY

REF: ISTANBUL 2824

1. EMBASSY WILL BE HAPPY TO CONSULT WITH AND GIVE ALL
APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE TO REPRESENTATIVES OF ABBOTT LABORATORIES
IN CONNECTION WITH THEIR INTEREST IN POSSIBLE ESTABLISHMENT OF
CODEINE FACTORY IN TURKEY. WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT
ABBOTT TAKE STEPS AT EARLY DATE TO MAKE ITS INTEREST KNOWN
TO GOT AUTHORITIES AND TO LOOK AT SITUATION INASMUCH AS OTHER
GROUPS, I.E., UK, ARE BECOMING INTERESTED.

2. WE DO NOT CONSIDER IT LIKELY THAT GOT OFFICIALS WOULD
INITIATE SPECIAL APPROACH TO ABBOTT OFFICIALS TO SOLICIT THEIR
INTEREST IN CODEINE FACTORY PROPOSAL (EXCEPT TO EXTENT THAT THEY
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MAY POSSIBLY AT SOME TIME DECIDE TO SEND GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENT OF

PROJECT OR TENDER NOTICES TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES).
WE WILL, HOWEVER, BE HAPPY TO MAKE INITIAL APPOINTMENTS FOR
ABBOTT OFFICIALS AND GIVE ALL APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE.

3. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR HAS INFORMALLY SOUNDED
OUT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS REGARDING OFFICIALS WHO SHOULD
BE CONTACTED BY "INTERESTED U.S. FIRM." MFA OFFICIAL
SUGGESTED THAT INTERESTED FIRMS SHOULD CONTACT MR HALIL DAG,
ACTING DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS SECTION, AND THAT
DAG WOULD MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS WITH OTHER INTERESTED TURKISH
OFFICIALS. EMBASSY WILL BE HAPPY MAKE APPOINTMENT WITH DAG
AND THROUGH HIM MAKE OTHER APPOINTMENTS FOR ABBOTT OFFICIALS IF
THEY WISH.
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